



CHANGE TO COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION ASSESSMENT: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Council on Legislation?

The Council is Rotary International's legislative body, which meets every three years, to consider proposals to change RI's constitutional documents and resolutions that express an opinion or make a recommendation to RI's Board of Directors.

When and where does the next Council meet?

It will meet 10-15 April 2016 in Chicago.

What impact does the Council have on my club?

RI's bylaws, which govern the relationship between Rotary International and Rotary clubs, can be changed only by legislation by the Council. The bylaws include provisions covering the formation of new clubs, types of membership within a club, club voting in district elections, and per capita dues.

When did the Board of Directors approve an increase to the additional dues for the Council?

At the October 2014 meeting, the Board of Directors approved an increase for the additional dues for the Council from \$1 to \$1.50, beginning in 2015-16.

When was the last time the additional dues were changed?

In 2001, the Council adopted annual additional dues of \$1 per member, which went into effect in 2002-03. The increase that takes effect in July 2015 is the first.

When will my club see the increase on its invoice?

The \$1.50 dues will be reflected on the invoice your club receives in July 2015.

How will this be calculated?

The amount is billed at the club level and is based on membership: \$1.50 per member per year to finance the Council that is held every three years.

Over the three-year period between Council meetings, how much will be collected in additional dues, and will that pay for?

If the membership remains stable at 1.2 million over the three-year period, the additional \$4.50 paid by each member will generate \$5.4 million. That is expected to cover Council-related expenses, including

airfare, travel, and hotel expenses for delegates; equipment, venue, and catering expenses; simultaneous interpretation; translation and publication of the Council materials into nine Rotary languages; and expenses for support staff.

Who should I contact if I have questions about the additional dues?

You may email us at RI.ClubFinance@rotary.org or you may contact your [financial representative](#).

Where can I get additional information about the Council?

[Find more information about the Council](#). You may also email us at Council_Services@rotary.org.